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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the August 1 Milk Production Report. Total production and number of cows are reported for selected states and the U.S.

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Sincerely,

Vince Matthews
Director

Idaho Milk Production Down 3.5 Percent

Idaho milk production during July 2009 totaled 1.05 billion pounds, a 3.5 percent decrease from the same month last year, but up 1.9 percent from June 2009. June 2009 milk production was revised to 1.03 billion pounds, down 6 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in July 2009 was 1,920 pounds, down 40 pounds from July 2008. The average number of milk cows during July was 548,000 head, down 1,000 head from the revised June 2009 and down 8,000 head from July 2008.

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 14.9 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from July 2008. June revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 0.1 percent from June 2008. The June revision represented an increase of 34 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production

estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,769 pounds for July, 25 pounds above July 2008. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.40 million head, 115,000 head less than July 2008, and 34,000 head less than June 2009.

Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2008-2009

Month	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2008
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	534	554	1,870	1,810	999	1,003	0.4
February ^{3/}	537	549	1,750	1,640	940	900	-4.3
March	540	550	1,885	1,840	1,018	1,012	-0.6
April	543	551	1,850	1,800	1,005	992	-1.3
May	550	553	1,930	1,910	1,062	1,056	-0.6
June*	551	549	1,900	1,880	1,047	1,032	-1.4
July	556	548	1,960	1,920	1,090	1,052	-3.5
August	555		1,970		1,093		
September	554		1,870		1,036		
October	554		1,870		1,036		
November	554		1,770		981		
December	554		1,820		1,008		
Annual	549		22,432		12,315		

*Revised 1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves. 3/ 2008 Leap Year

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, July 2008-2009

State	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2008
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	185	170	1,815	1,810	336	308	-8.3
California	1,847	1,793	1,850	1,810	3,417	3,245	-5
Colorado	129	124	1,950	2,000	252	248	-1.6
Florida	120	115	1,375	1,470	165	169	2.4
Idaho	556	548	1,960	1,920	1,090	1,052	-3.5
Illinois	102	102	1,520	1,580	155	161	3.9
Indiana	166	168	1,650	1,695	274	285	4
Iowa	215	215	1,660	1,740	357	374	4.8
Kansas	117	117	1,725	1,735	202	203	0.5
Michigan	352	358	1,900	1,955	669	700	4.6
Minnesota	465	469	1,595	1,675	742	786	5.9
Missouri	111	108	1,170	1,195	130	129	-0.8
New Mexico	340	321	1,990	2,050	677	658	-2.8
New York	626	622	1,690	1,745	1,058	1,085	2.6
Ohio	281	278	1,550	1,590	436	442	1.4
Oregon	115	114	1,670	1,710	192	195	1.6
Pennsylvania	546	545	1,630	1,640	890	894	0.4
Texas	423	423	1,675	1,700	709	719	1.4
Utah	85	83	1,840	1,840	156	153	-1.9
Vermont	140	135	1,585	1,570	222	212	-4.5
Virginia	97	96	1,425	1,520	138	146	5.8
Washington	245	239	2,000	2,015	490	482	-1.6
Wisconsin	1,252	1,257	1,670	1,760	2,091	2,212	5.8
23 State Total	8,515	8,400	1,744	1,769	14,848	14,858	0.1

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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